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FOR MOOSE FROM HARROP

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TAGS: OVIP (MOOSE, RICHARD M)

SUBJECT: MOOSE BILATERALS IN GUINEA

REF: CONAKRY 1448

1. FOR YOUR AUGUST 3 MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT AND
FOREIGN MINISTER, YOU MAY WISH TO DRAW UPON THE FOLLOWING
POINTS:

NAMIBIA:

-- THE SECURITY COUNCIL'S ADOPTION OF THE TWO RESOLUTIONS
ON NAMIBIA JULY 27 OPENS THE WAY TO PEACEFUL SETTLEMENTS
IN SOUTHERN AFRICA;

-- THE ROLE OF THE FRONT LINE STATES WAS INVALUABLE;
WITHOUT THEIR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION WE WOULD NOT HAVE
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SUCCEEDED IN ACHIEVING THIS SIGNIFICANT SUCCESS.

-- DESPITE SOME RECENT RESERVATIONS EXPRESSED BY SWAPO
AND THE SOUTH AFRICANS, WE BELIEVE THAT THEY AND ALL
OTHER INVOLVED PARTIES WILL COOPERATE WITH THE UN IN
THE TRANSITION PROCESS.

-- WE EXPECT THAT A UN SURVEY TEAM HEADED BY THE SYG'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE, MARTTI AHTISAARI, WILL ARRIVE IN NAMIBIA THIS WEEKEND AND WILL NEED TWO OR THREE WEEKS TO PREPARE ITS REPORT TO WALDHEIM. THE DEVELOPING OF A MANDATE FOR THE UN TRANSITION ASSISTANCE GROUP WILL BE A DELICATE TASK, BUT WE HOPE THAT THE SYG WILL BE ABLE TO PRESENT IT FOR APPROVAL TO THE SECURITY COUNCIL LATER THIS MONTH;

-- THE DEPLOYMENT OF UNTAG TO NAMIBIA COULD BEGIN IN EARLY SEPTEMBER. WE ANTICIPATE THAT THE TRANSITIONAL PERIOD WILL LAST AT LEAST EIGHT MONTHS;

-- IT WILL REQUIRE THE GOODWILL AND BEST EFFORTS OF ALL THE INVOLVED PARTIES TO ENSURE SUCCESS. THE UNITED STATES AND ITS WESTERN PARTNERS WILL GIVE FULL AND CONTINUING SUPPORT TO THE UN IN CARRYING OUT THE APPROPRIATE SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS.

RHODESIA:

-- AMBASSADOR LOW AND MR. GRAHAM WILL SHORTLY RESUME THEIR SERIES OF CONSULTATIONS IN SALISBURY. (GRAHAM HAS ALREADY ARRIVED IN SALISBURY, AND LOW WILL ARRIVE MORNING OF AUGUST 4);

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-- WE CONTINUE TO RECEIVE INDICATIONS THAT THE INTERNAL SETTLEMENT IS FAILING, AND THAT THE SALISBURY GROUP WILL HAVE CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY IN HOLDING TO ITS RECENTLY-ANNOUNCED ELECTION SCHEDULE;

-- WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT THE PRINCIPLES OF THE ANGLO-AMERICAN PROPOSALS REPRESENT THE BEST PROSPECT FOR A LASTING SETTLEMENT. TOWARDS THAT END WE ARE PURSUING OUR OBJECTIVE OF ARRANGING AN ALL-PARTIES CONFERENCE THROUGH THE EFFORTS OF GRAHAM AND LOW;

-- WE HAVE INDICATIONS THAT THE VARIOUS PARTIES ARE PUTTING OUT FEELERS BUT HAVE NOT YET SUCCEEDED IN REACHING ONE ANOTHER. OUR AIM IS TO FACILITATE THEIR COMING TOGETHER.

2. FYI: BOTH VANCE AND OWEN RECENTLY MET WITH MUZOREWA BUT NEITHER MADE ANY HEADWAY WITH HIM. AT OWEN'S REQUEST WE ARE INSTRUCTING AMBASSADOR CARTER TO JOIN HIS BRITISH COLLEAGUE IN ASKING PRESIDENT TOLBERT TO USE HIS INFLUENCE IN TRYING TO PERSUADE MUZOREWA DURING THE LATTER'S VISIT TO MONROVIA LATER THIS WEEK TO

PARTICIPATE IN AN ALL PARTIES MEETING.

3. LATE ITEM, ALSO FYI: THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT THE
BAUMAN-FINDLEY AMENDMENT CALLING FOR IMMEDIATE LIFTING
OF SANCTIONS ON RHODESIA WAS DEFEATED LATE AUGUST 2,
229-176. THE BAD NEWS IS THAT THE HOUSE THEN PASSED,
BY A VOTE OF 225-182, THE ICHORD AMENDMENT WHICH PROVIDES
FOR LIFTING OF SANCTIONS AFTER DECEMBER 31 "UNLESS THE
PRESIDENT SHALL DETERMINE THAT A GOVERNMENT HAS NOT BEEN
INSTALLED, CHOSEN BY FREE ELECTIONS IN WHICH ALL POLITI-
CAL GROUPS HAVE BEEN ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE FREELY."
HIRC COMMITTEE STAFF BELIEVES THAT ICHORD LANGUAGE
STANDS REASONABLE CHANCE OF BEING DROPPED IN CONFERENCE
IN FAVOR OF CASE-JAVITS. VANCE
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